



An aqueous external dispersion useful as a crystal modifier for petroleum or a petroleum-derived liquid, comprising a wax dispersant, [and] an organic crystal modifier composition dispersed through a continuous water phase, and an organic solvent, the organic solvent being present in the dispersion in an amount such that the crystal modifier makes up from about 3% to about 87% by weight of the total of the crystal modifier and the organic solvent in the dispersion, and the wax dispersant being present in the dispersion in the amount sufficient to impart at least meta-stability to the dispersion, and the dispersion having a viscosity at 25°C of less than about 50,000 centipoise.

Please cancel Claims 39 and 41.

## Remarks

In the subject Office Action, it is stated that Claims 39 and 41 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. It is submitted that Claim 1, as amended, and Claim 17 correspond to original Claims 39 and 41 but do not depend from a rejected claim and so should be allowable. All remaining claims depend directly or indirectly from Claim 1 or Claim 17. Because Claims 1 and 17 are now allowable, it is submitted that the remaining claims are allowable as well. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance so favorable reconsideration and early allowance of the subject application and, in particular, Claims 1-37, 40 and 42-45, are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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